

## **Decoding the Sunshine State Standards**

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The Sunshine State Standards (SSS) are part of an ongoing educational effort within the State of Florida. The SSS are sets of higher-level student achievement standards for Florida public schools that identify what students should know and be able to do by the end of each developmental level. They form the basis for accountability to the citizens of Florida.

### **How are the SSS coded?**

- Subject area = content area, discipline
- Grade level
- Strand = general area or focus of competency
- Standard = general statement of expected learner achievement; like a goal.
- Benchmark = highly specific statement of what a student should know and be able to do; like an objective

### **Breakdown for World Languages**

- Subject area = content area, discipline
- Grade level = K12 for world languages
- Strand = Proficiency level (Novice, Intermediate, Advanced, Superior)
- Standard = general statement of expected learner achievement (e.g., Interpretive listening, interpersonal communication, culture, etc.)
- Benchmark – highly specific statement of what a student should know and be able to do; like an objective

### **Decoding the following SSS:**

**LA.910.1.5.1 – Adjust reading rate based on purpose, text difficulty, form and style**

- Subject area: Language Arts
- Grade level: 9-10
- Strand 1: Reading Process
- Standard 5: Fluency
- Benchmark 1